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Support of Mother and Sister,  
Threatened With Dismissal,  
Miss Vandegrift Acts.

### SACRIFICE MAY BE IN VAIN

Both Women Are Employed in the  
Land Board Office; Ax Will Fall  
There Today.

Willing to give up a position allotted to her in the office of the state land board that a friend who has a widowed mother and invalid sister to support might be able to remain in the office, Miss Elsie Vandegrift of Montrose county has, by her unselfish action, won many friends at the state-house.

So far Miss Vandegrift has been unable to offer up the place given her as a sacrifice to her friend.

Today is the last day for some in the office of the state land board. Lack of funds required that the force be cut down.

#### Mother and Sister to Support.

The woman who is one of those to go has a widowed and aged mother to support. Her sister is an invalid and cannot work. The salary this woman received from the state did for these.

Miss Vandegrift is an able worker and last fall distinguished herself in a political way by starting a rally for John F. Shafroth in the Auditorium that did its part in landing "Honest John" back in the gubernatorial chair. Later she was stenographer in the senate at the extra session.

Miss Vandegrift head of the allotments of positions. She learned of her own good fortune and the fact that the woman with the burden of the mother and sister on her hands was to be dropped.

#### Would Sacrifice Position.

Straightaway Miss Vandegrift went to the registrar of the land board. She told them that she would rather that she should lose her position than the woman with others to support.

If the land board will accept her place and give it to the woman with the mother and sister to support, there are openings in almost every office at the capitol for Miss Vandegrift, say heads of the executive departments of

people of the Executive Departments of  
the state who have heard the story.